

## REMEDIATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR

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### NEW PARTNERSHIP DRAFTS A FEDERAL BROWNFIELD GRANT APPLICATION

DNR, the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee and the 30<sup>th</sup> Street Industrial Corridor Coalition have formed a partnership to help begin redevelopment one of the state's most economically and environmentally distressed areas, Milwaukee's 30<sup>th</sup> Street Industrial Corridor. The partners plan to submit two site assessment grant applications to EPA, for assessment of petroleum contamination and assessment of hazardous substances. Milwaukee's 30<sup>th</sup> Street Industrial Corridor is home to 32,000 people, more than 40% of whom live below the poverty level. Nearly 1 in 5 adults in the corridor are unemployed. If funded by EPA, the 30<sup>th</sup> Street Industrial Corridor Coalition Initiative will make \$400,000 available for environmental investigation of the area's many tax delinquent, vacant, and dilapidated properties. Once these properties are evaluated for contamination, plans for cleanup and redevelopment can move ahead. Copies of the draft applications are available by contacting Percy Mather at [percy.mather@dnr.state.wi.us](mailto:percy.mather@dnr.state.wi.us) or at 608-266-9263. The final applications must be mailed to EPA by November 12.

### NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> GRANT DEADLINE REMINDER

If you are feverishly working to complete one or more brownfield grant applications, you may not appreciate this reminder. However, everyone else is reminded that applications for both DNR's Site Assessment Grants (SAG) and EPA's brownfield grants are due on **November 12, 2004**.

A summary of changes to the SAG process this year is included in the grant application instructions. The major changes include:

- 40% of the funds will be allocated for large grants and 60% for small grants.
- Any local governmental unit may provide matching funds.
- No site investigation funding is available for PECFA eligible sites.
- Legal access to the site must be obtained within 60 days.
- The criteria for local government authorizing resolutions have been clarified.
- Resolutions may be submitted up to 30 days after the SAG due date.
- There is a new definition of past costs.

For more information about EPA's grants, please see [http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/financial/federal\\_brfls.html](http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/financial/federal_brfls.html)

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